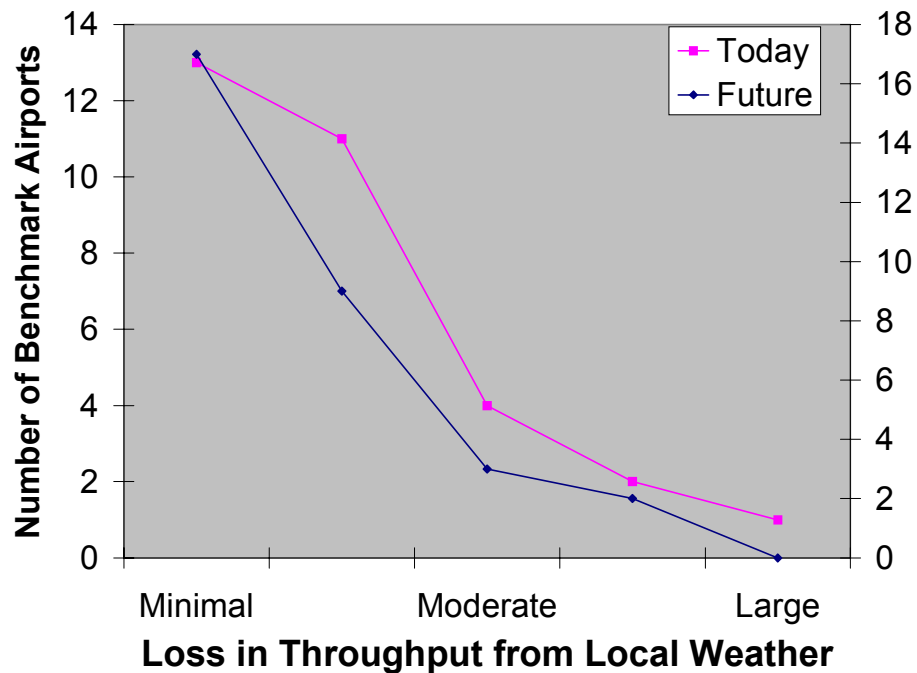


## Airport Weather Conditions - Benefits

Although the number of scheduled flights does not vary appreciably from day to day due to weather conditions, when an airport experiences bad weather, airport capacity decreases by over 50% in some cases. The OEP actions provide a relatively larger growth in capacity for these days (over good weather days), effectively shrinking the gap in throughput between airport optimal and reduced visibility conditions.



Note that some of the OEP actions drive airport capacity under good weather conditions beyond expected demand levels for 2010. This surplus capacity provides a margin to help accommodate the reductions in capacity due to poor weather conditions, mitigating the impact of weather conditions on the ability to meet demand.